



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT OFFICE

In re application of:

Kenneth S. Albert and Paul José Maes

Serial No.: 09/465,338

Group Art Unit: 1615

Our Ref.: PT1817000

CUSTOMER NO. 23607

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Examiner: Amy E. Pulliam

For:

CHRONOTHERAPEUTIC FORMULATIONS OF
DILTIAZEM AND THE ADMINISTRATION THEREOF

**REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME
IN RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

The Honorable Commissioner of Patents
UNITED STATES PATENT OFFICE
2011 South Clark Place
Crystal Plaza 2, Room 1B03
Arlington, Virginia 22202
U.S.A.

Dear Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the time for filing a response to the Office Action of February 21, 2002, now set to expire May 21, 2002, be extended for three months, to and including **August 21, 2002**.

Enclosed herewith please find a check in the amount of **\$920.00** US in payment of the three-month extension of time fee for a large entity. If there is any deficiency or surplusage of the fees enclosed, please obtain any such deficiency from or credit the surplusage to Deposit Account No. 08-3255 and advise Applicant's Agent.

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Respectfully submitted,

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